

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-157-81

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ATTENTION: QUALITY CONTROL STAFF

SUBJECT: QUALITY CONTROL REVIEW PROCEDURES FOR ESSENTIAL PERSONS

REFERENCE:

DSS has issued regulations to bring the AFDC regulations regarding "eligible needy relatives" into compliance with new requirements as mandated by Chapter 69, Statutes of 1981 (SB-633). The new regulations are effective August 1, 1981; however, no dollar errors will be cited for the period of August, 1981 through December, 1981. (Only procedural errors will be cited during this period.) Effective January 1, 1982, dollar errors will be cited for those persons included in the FBU as "essential persons" who do not meet the new definition of an essential person as stated below.

ESSENTIAL PERSONS

The definition of an "essential person" has been limited to include only unemployed stepparents who are not federally eligible under Section 44-209.22. The following will no longer be considered "essential persons": 1) unmarried brothers and sisters, including half or stepbrothers or stepsisters, who are under 21 years of age, and who are not eligible children because they do not meet the requirements of 44-203.112 (deprivation) and/or 44-203.113 (school attendance); and, 2) other relatives necessary to provide child care for an eligible child.

If you have any questions regarding these review procedures, please contact the appropriate Regional or District QC office responsible for your county.

Sincerely,

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cc: CWDA

